48. At least eight days before an election to fill any public office the Supervisors of Election of each county and in the city of Baltimore shall cause to be published in two or more newspapers within such county, except in Howard county, where the Supervisors of Election may publish in one newspaper and in all the daily papers published in said city which will publish the same at the current rate for advertising the nominations to office which have been filed with or certified to them under the provisions of this article, if in any county, there be but one newspaper published, publication in such one newspaper shall be sufficient; they shall make not less than two such publications in each of such newspapers before the day of election, and one of such publications in each newspaper shall be upon the last day upon which said newspaper is issued before the day of election. Such publication shall be made in newspapers devoted to the dissemination of general news; and the two newspapers selected shall if possible represent the political parties which at the last preceding election cast the largest and next largest number of votes. The lists of nominations published by the Supervisors of Elections shall be arranged so far as practicable in the order and form in which they are to be printed upon the ballots.

The foregoing provisions of this section shall apply to Baltimore city, Baltimore, Wicomico, Carroll, Washington, Allegany, Cecil, Montgomery, Howard, Caroline, Harford, Frederick and Garrett counties, and the following provisions of the section shall apply only to the following counties: Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, Dorchester, Kent, Prince George's, St. Mary's, Somerset, Talbot, Worcester and Queen Anne's.

At least eight days before an election to fill any public office, the Supervisors of Elections of each county and of the city of Baltimore, shall cause to be published in two or more newspapers within such county and in all the daily papers published in said city, which will publish the same at the current rate for advertising the nominations to office which have been filed with or certified to them under the provisions of this article, if in any county there be but one newspaper published, publication in such one newspaper shall be sufficient, they shall make not less than two such publications in each of such newspapers before the day of election and one of such publications in each newspaper shall be upon the last day upon which said newspaper is issued before the day of Such publication shall be made in newspapers devoted to the dissemination of general news and the two newspapers selected shall, if possible, represent the political